



EEC2146: Electronic Circuits and Measurements

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Amplifier Frequency Response

Objectives and outline:

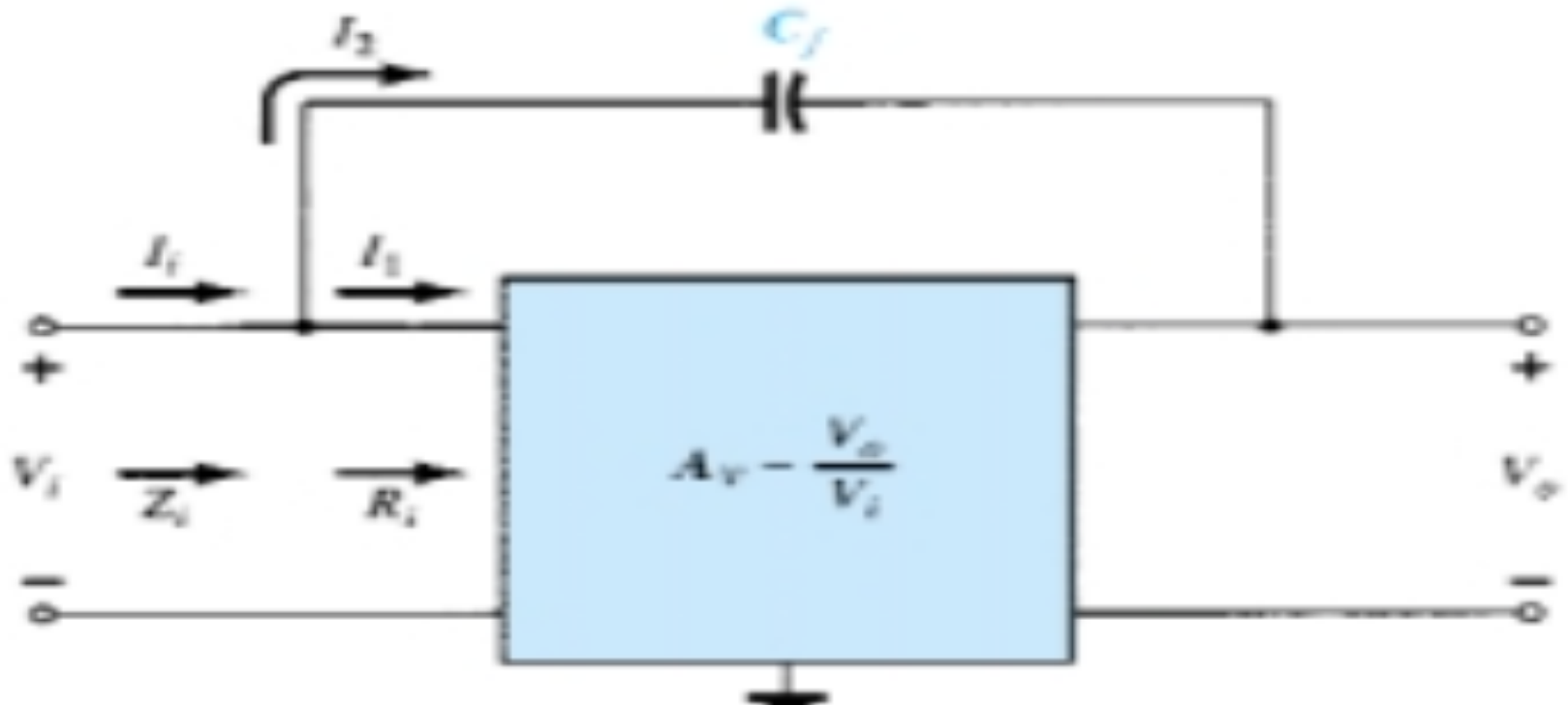
- Analyze the high-frequency response of an amplifier
- Analyze an amplifier for total frequency response
- Analyze multistage amplifiers for frequency response
- Measure the frequency response of an amplifier



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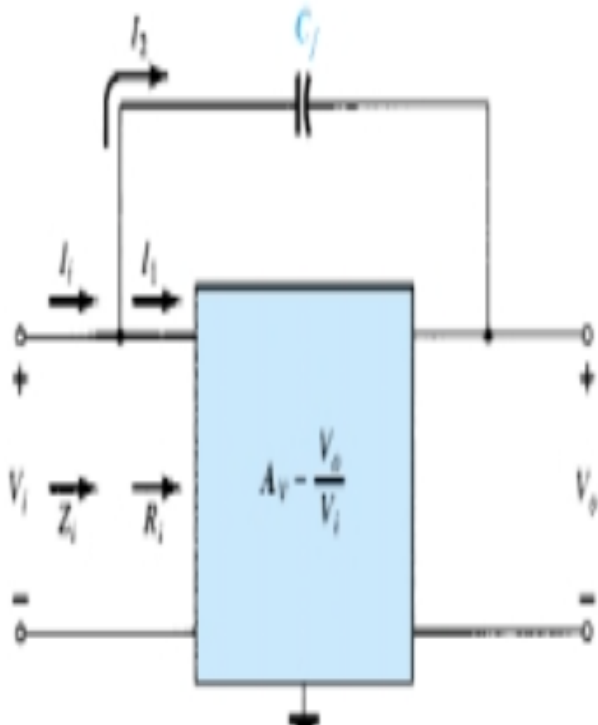
MILLER EFFECT CAPACITANCE :





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MILLER EFFECT CAPACITANCE :



Applying Kirchhoff's current law gives

$$I_i = I_1 + I_2$$

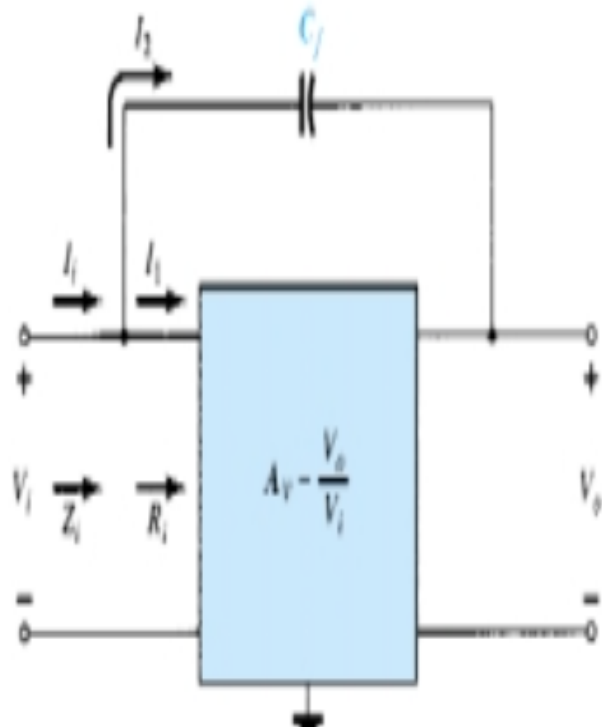
$$I_i = \frac{V_i}{Z_i}, \quad I_1 = \frac{V_i}{R_i}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_i - V_o}{X_{C_f}} = \frac{V_i - A_v V_i}{X_{C_f}} = \frac{(1 - A_v)V_i}{X_{C_f}}$$

Substituting, we obtain

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$$\frac{V_i}{Z_i} = \frac{V_i}{R_i} + \frac{(1 - A_v)V_i}{X_{C_f}}$$

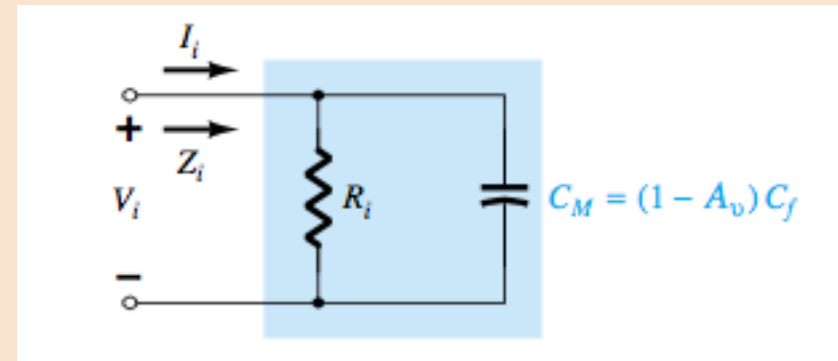
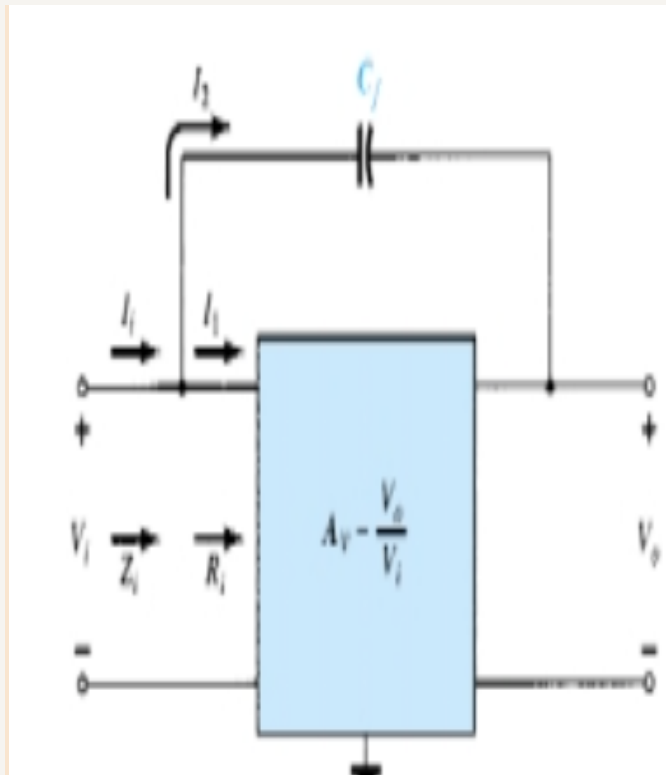
$$\frac{1}{Z_i} = \frac{1}{R_i} + \frac{1}{X_{C_f}/(1 - A_v)}$$

$$\frac{X_{C_f}}{1 - A_v} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\omega (1 - A_v)C_f}}_{C_M} = X_{CM}$$

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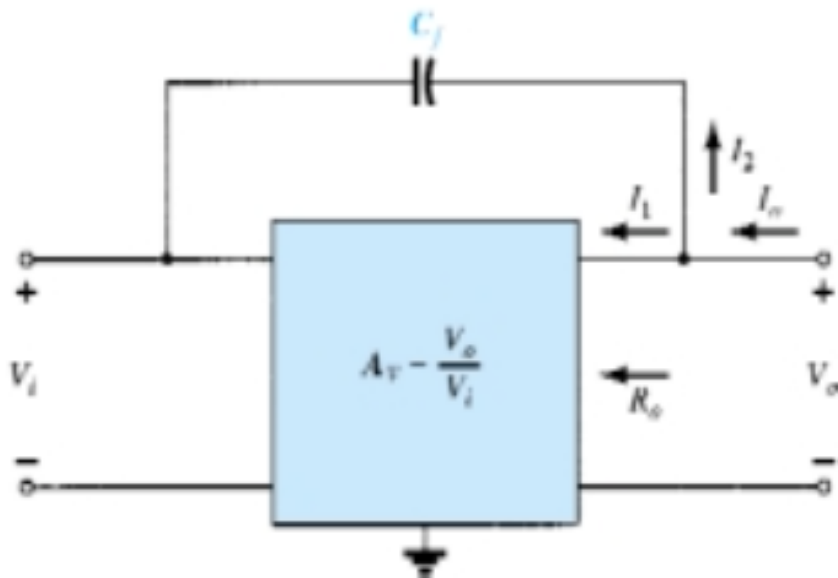
MILLER EFFECT CAPACITANCE :



$$C_{M_i} = (1 - A_v)C_f$$

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MILLER EFFECT CAPACITANCE :



$$I_o = I_1 + I_2$$

$$I_1 = \frac{V_o}{R_o} \quad \text{and} \quad I_2 = \frac{V_o - V_i}{X_{C_f}}$$

$$I_o \cong \frac{V_o - V_i}{X_{C_f}}$$

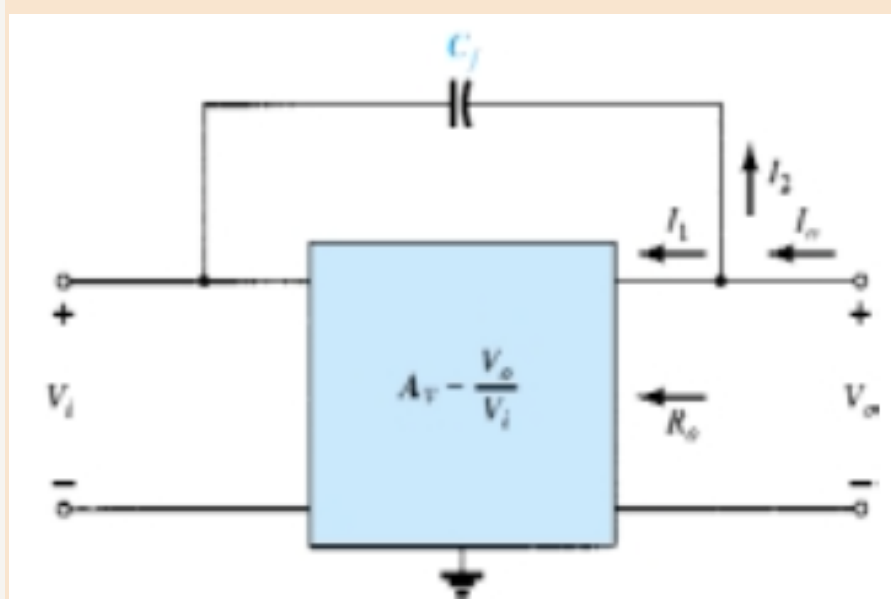
Substituting $V_i = V_o/A_v$ from $A_v = V_o/V_i$ will result in

$$I_o = \frac{V_o - V_o/A_v}{X_{C_f}} = \frac{V_o(1 - 1/A_v)}{X_{C_f}}$$

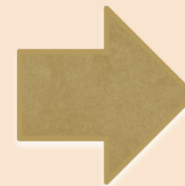
$$\frac{I_o}{V_o} = \frac{1 - 1/A_v}{X_{C_f}}$$

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MILLER EFFECT CAPACITANCE :



$$\frac{V_o}{I_o} = \frac{X_{C_f}}{1 - 1/A_v} = \frac{1}{\omega C_f (1 - 1/A_v)} = \frac{1}{\omega C_{M_o}}$$

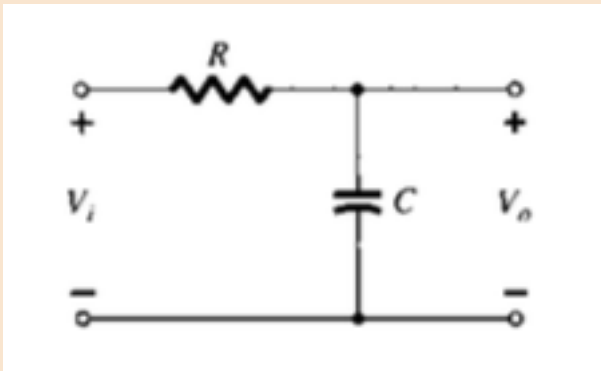


$$C_{M_o} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{A_v}\right) C_f$$

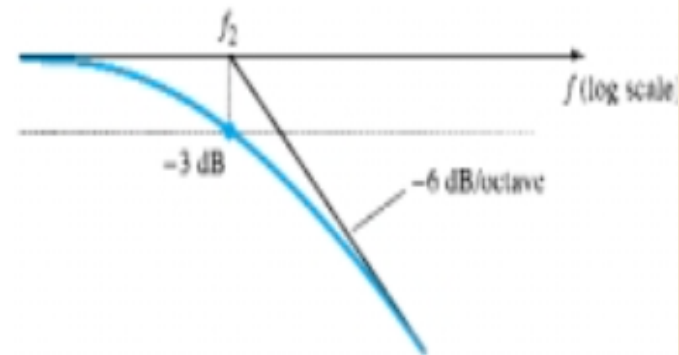
$$C_{M_o} \cong C_f \quad |A_v| \gg 1$$

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High Frequency Response:

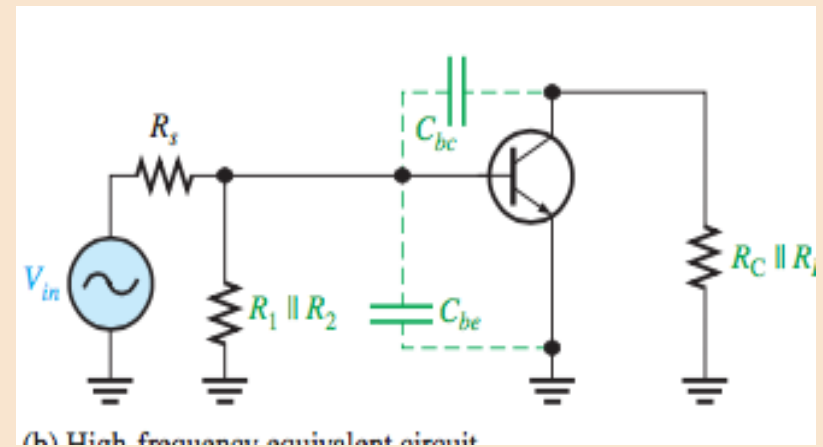
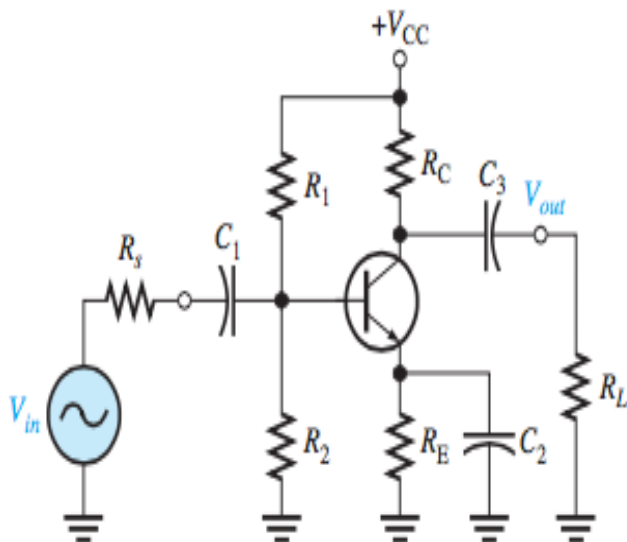


$$A_v = \frac{1}{1 + j(f/f_2)}$$



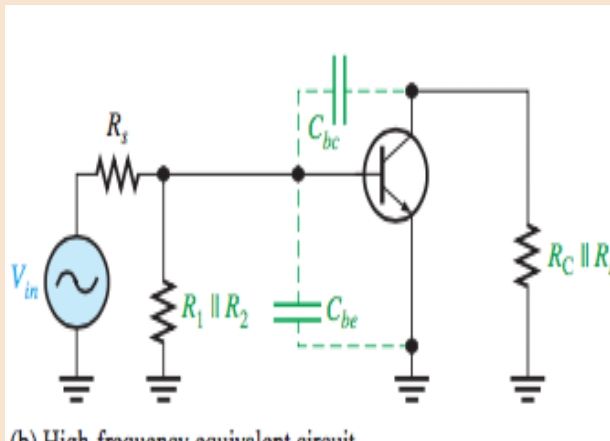
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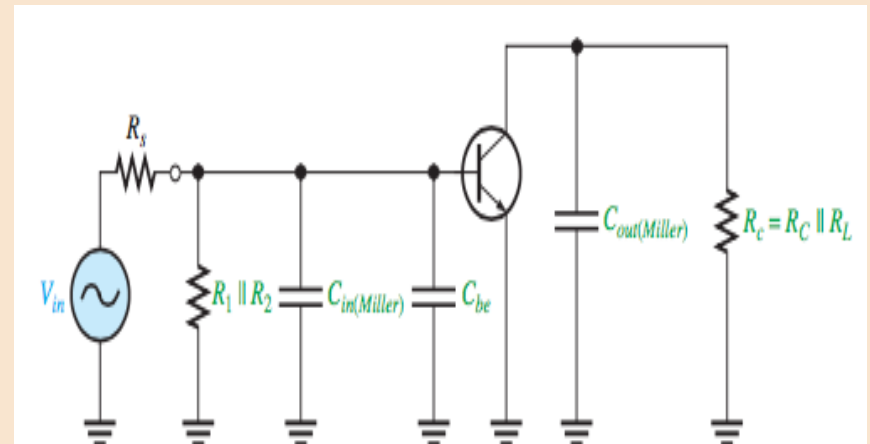
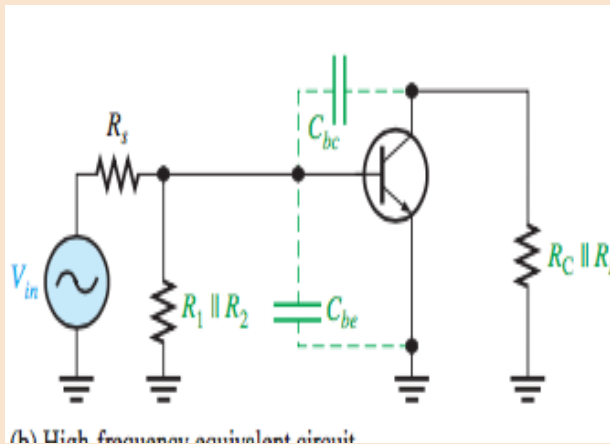


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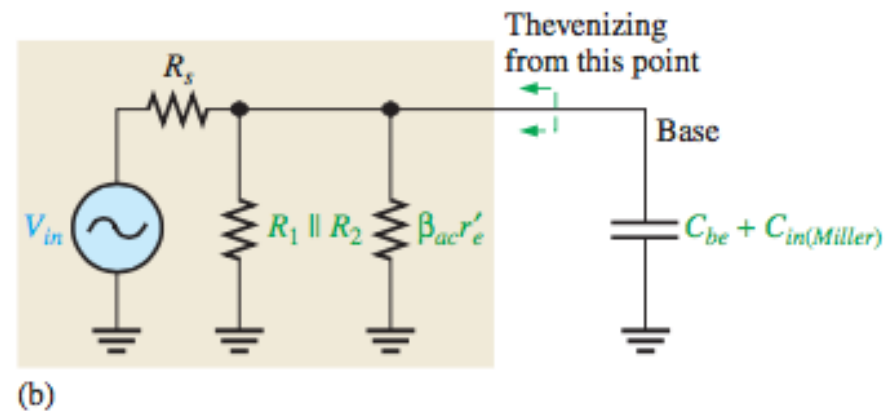
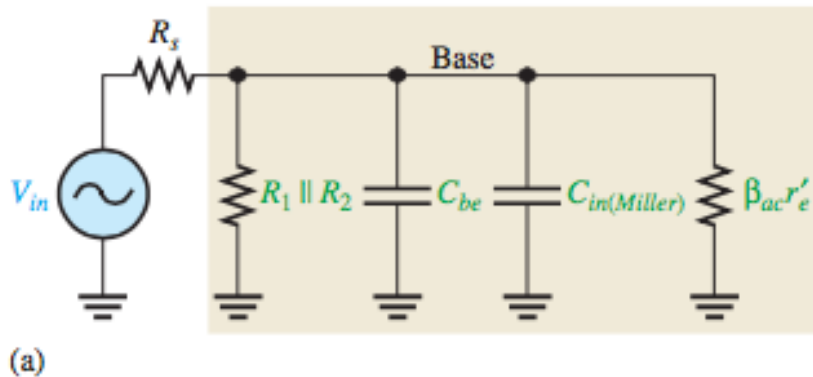
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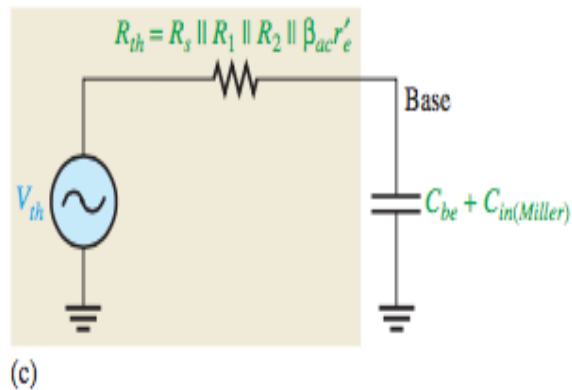
The Input RC Circuit :





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The Input RC Circuit :



$$X_{C_{tot}} = R_s \parallel R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta_{ac} r'_e$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi f_{cu(input)} C_{tot}} = R_s \parallel R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta_{ac} r'_e$$

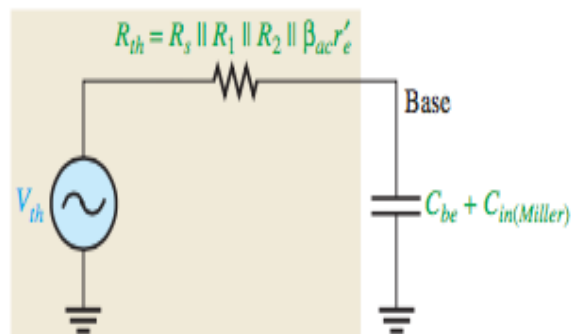
$$C_{tot} = C_{be} + C_{in(Miller)}$$

$$f_{cu(input)} = \frac{1}{2\pi (R_s \parallel R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta_{ac} r'_e) C_{tot}}$$

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The Input RC Circuit :

Phase Shift of the Input RC Circuit



(c)

, the output of the circuit lags the input.

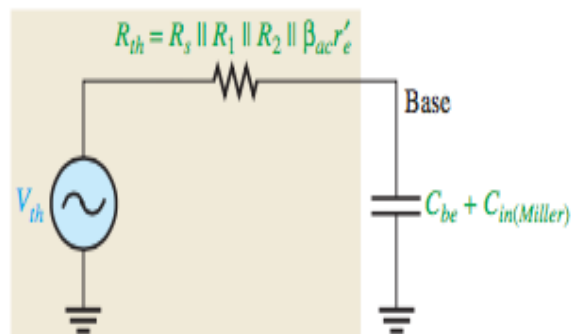
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R_s \parallel R_1 \parallel R_2 \parallel \beta_{ac} r'_e}{X_{C_{(tot)}}} \right)$$



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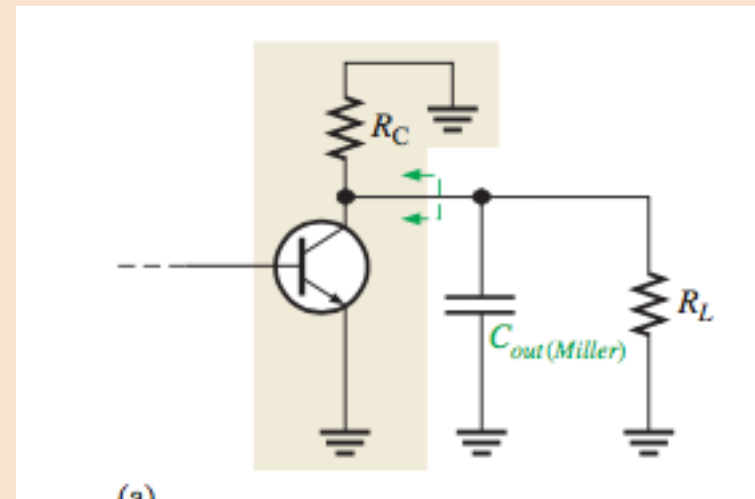
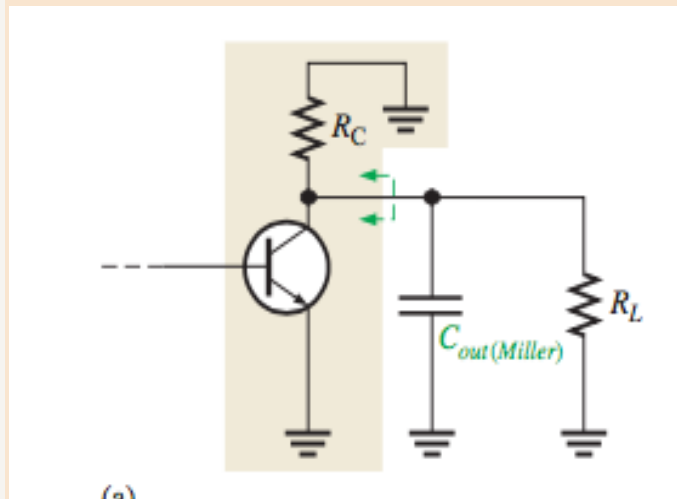
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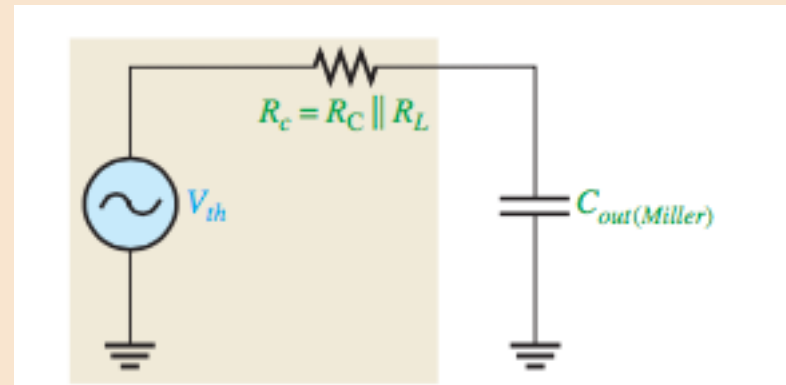
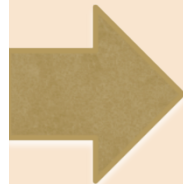
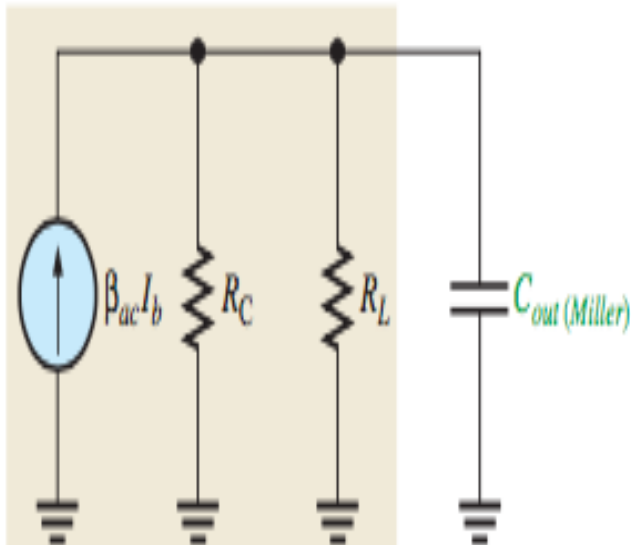
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The Output RC Circuit



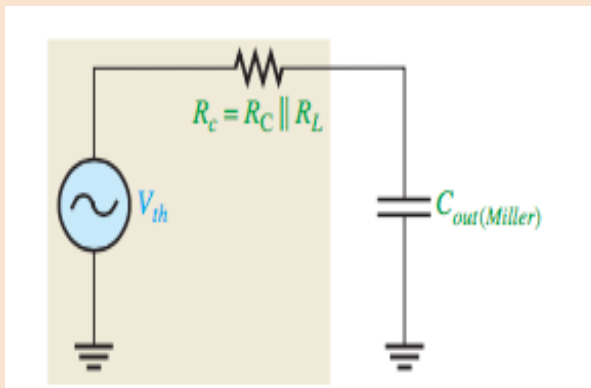
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The Output RC Circuit



$$C_{out(Miller)} = C_{bc} \left(\frac{A_v + 1}{A_v} \right)$$

$$C_{out(Miller)} \cong C_{bc}$$

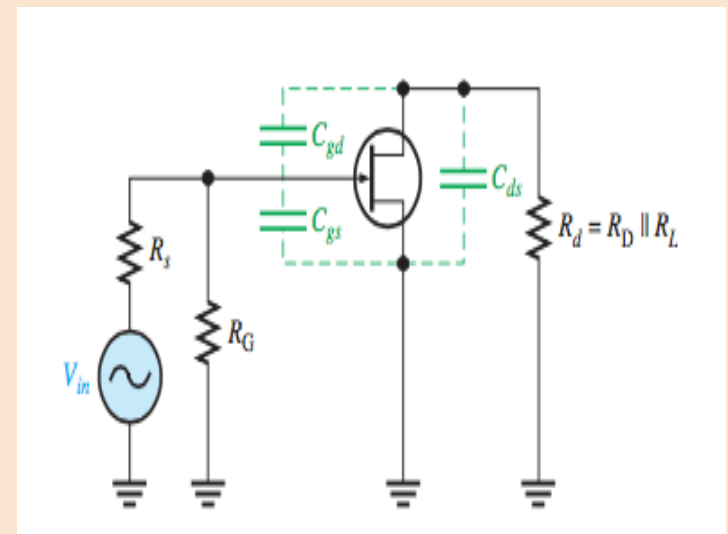
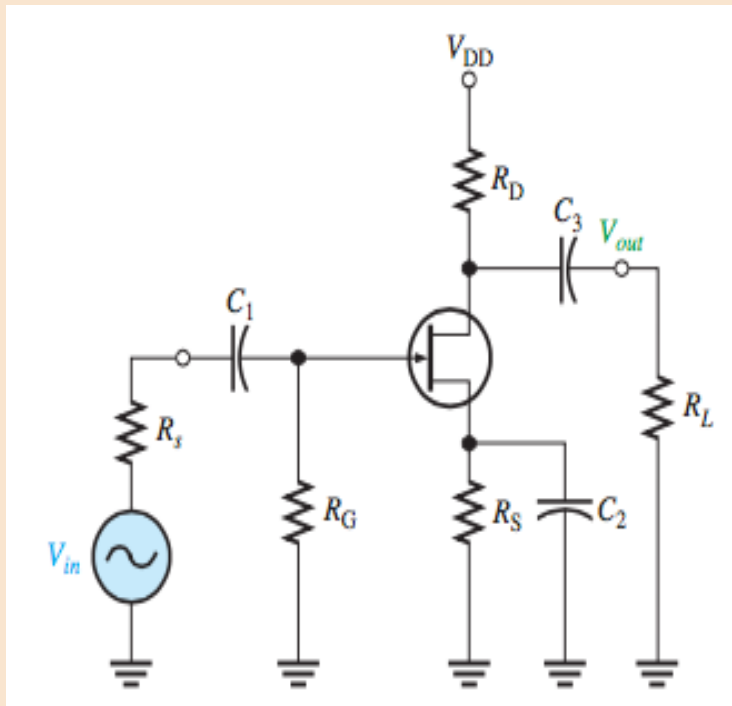
$$f_{cu(output)} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_c C_{out(Miller)}}$$

$$R_c = R_C \parallel R_L$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R_c}{X_{C_{out(Miller)}}} \right)$$

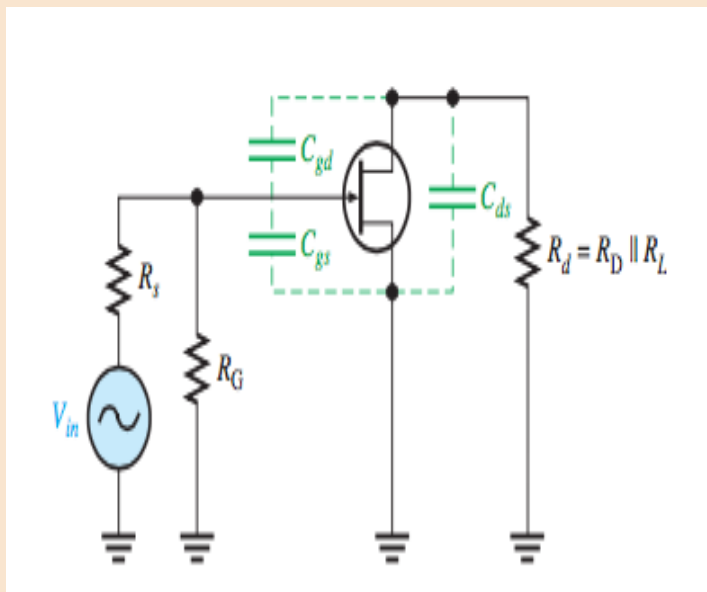
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FET Frequency Response:



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FET Frequency Response:



$$C_{gd} = C_{rss}$$

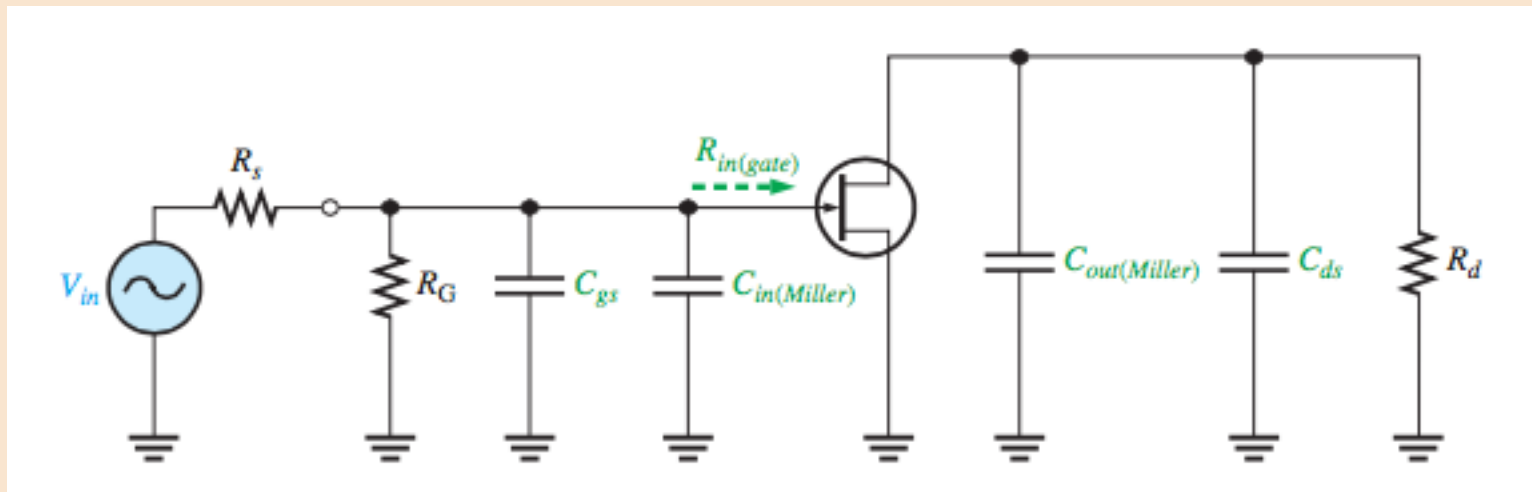
$$C_{gs} = C_{iss} - C_{rss}$$

$$C_{ds} = C_{oss} - C_{rss}$$

$$C_{in(Miller)} = C_{gd}(A_v + 1)$$

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FET Frequency Response:

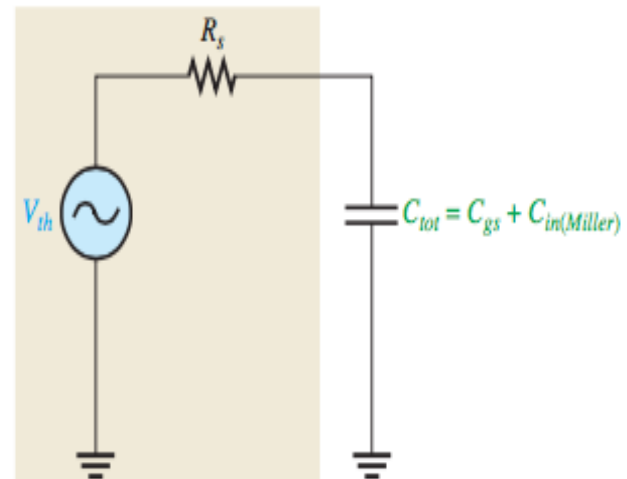
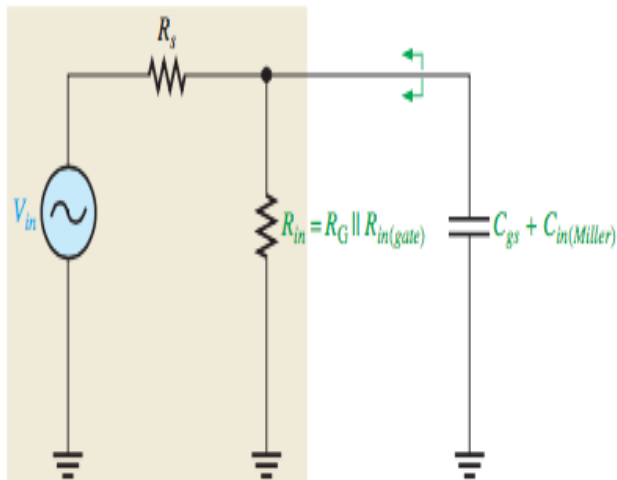


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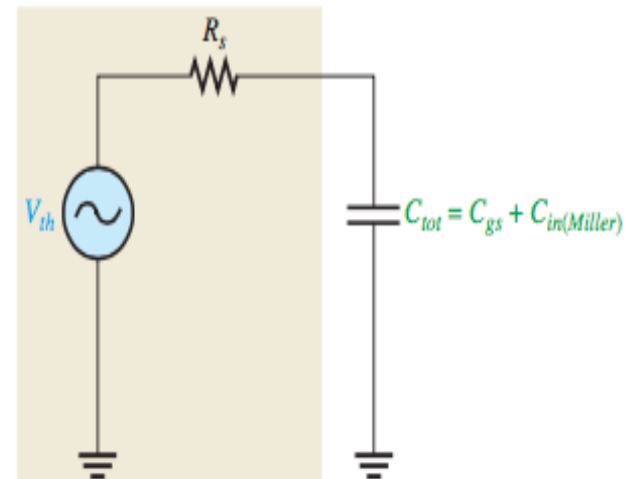
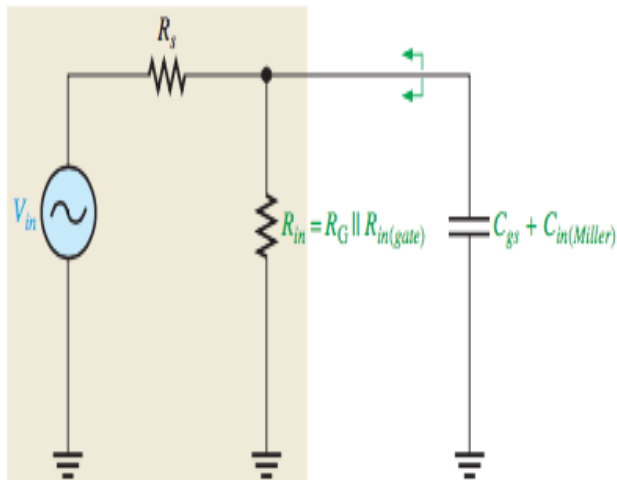
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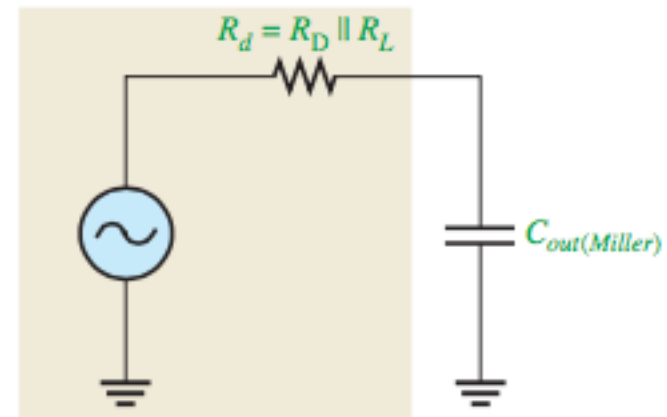
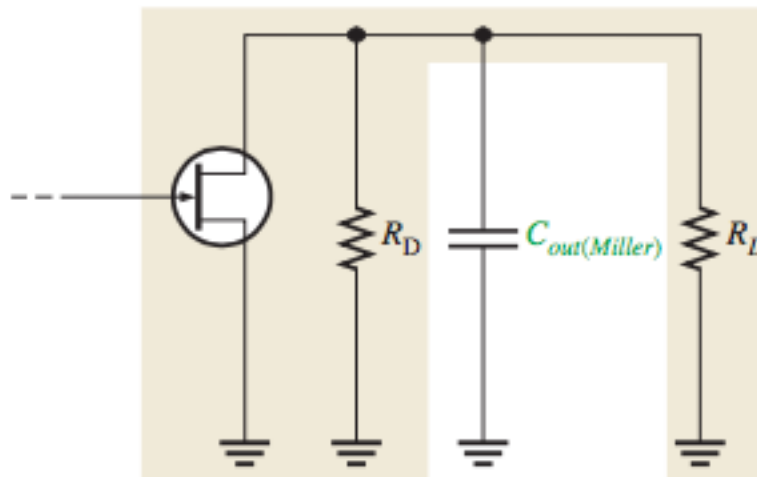
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The output RC Circuit



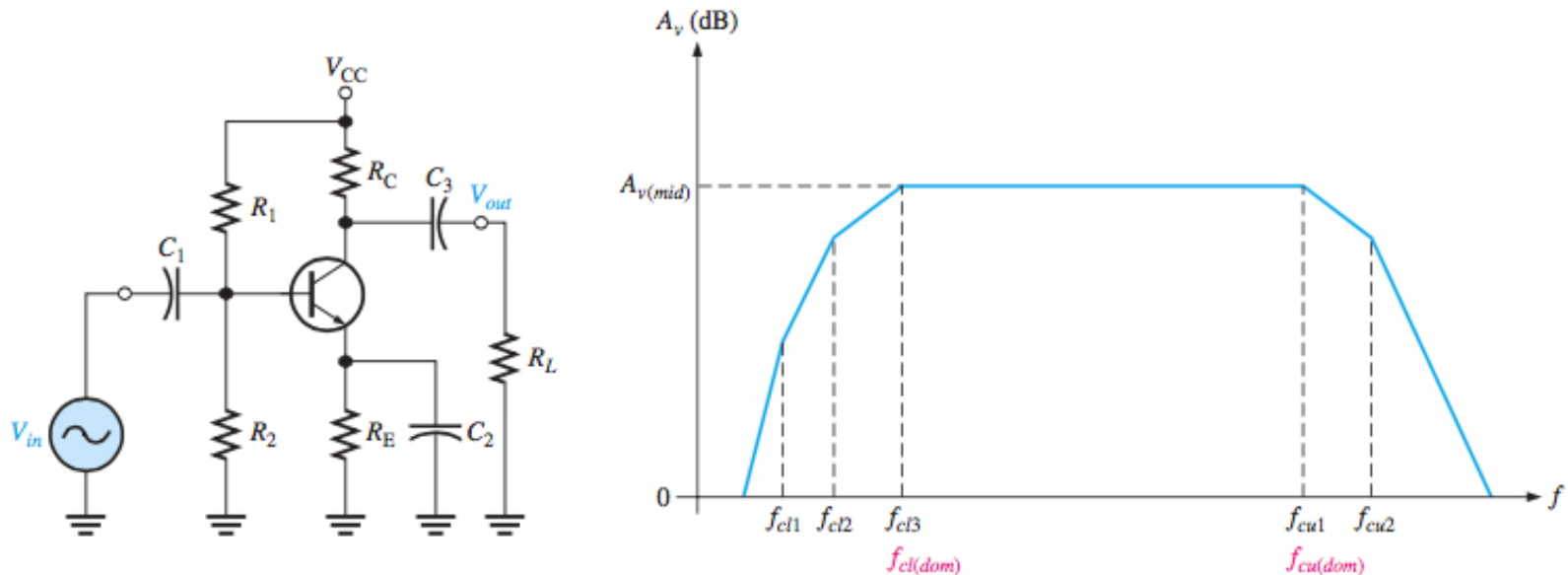
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$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{R_d}{X_{C_{out(Miller)}}} \right)$$

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TOTAL AMPLIFIER FREQUENCY RESPONSE



$$BW = f_{cu(dom)} - f_{cl(dom)}$$



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Gain-Bandwidth Product

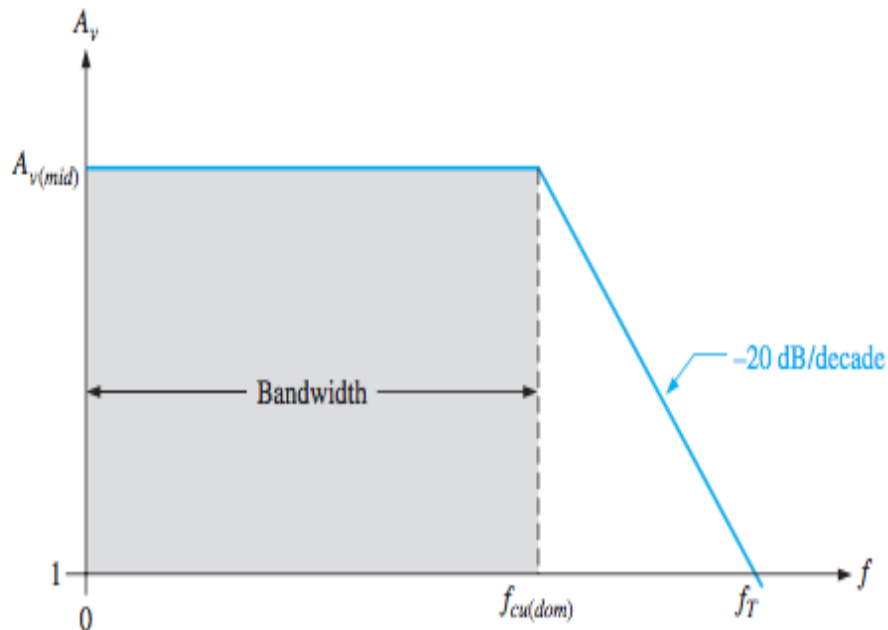


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 $f_{cl(dom)}$
zero)

$$f_T = A_{v(mid)} BW$$



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Multi stages Amplifier Frequency Response :

- When amplifier stages are cascaded to form a multistage amplifier, the dominant frequency response is determined by the responses of the individual stages. There are two cases to consider:
 1. Each stage has a different dominant lower critical frequency and a different dominant upper critical frequency.
 2. Each stage has the same dominant lower critical frequency and the same dominant upper critical frequency.



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Different Frequencies :

- when the dominant lower critical frequency, $f_{cl}(dom)$, of each amplifier stage is different from the other stages, the overall dominant lower critical frequency, $f_{cl}(dom)$, equals the dominant critical frequency of the stage with the highest $f_{cl}(dom)$.
- Ideally, when the dominant upper critical frequency, $f_{cu}(dom)$, of each amplifier stage is different from the other stages, the overall dominant upper critical frequency, $f_{cu}(dom)$, equals the dominant critical frequency of the stage with the lowest $f_{cu}(dom)$.

$$BW = f'_{cu(dom)} - f'_{cl(dom)}$$



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Equal Frequencies :

- When each amplifier stage in a multistage arrangement has equal dominant critical frequencies, you may think that the overall dominant critical frequency is equal to the critical frequency of each stage. This is not the case, however.
- When the dominant lower critical frequencies of each stage in a multistage amplifier are all the same. The dominant critical frequency can be calculated by :

$$f'_{cl(dom)} = \frac{f_{cl(dom)}}{\sqrt{2^{1/n} - 1}}$$

$$f'_{cu(dom)} = f_{cu(dom)} \sqrt{2^{1/n} - 1}$$

(n is the number of stages in the multistage amplifier)



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Questions